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Groups I and II

Applicants believe that the Examiner has not reconsidered the Restriction of Group I and II inventions as being capable of collective consideration in this application. If Applicants are mistaken, Applicants request the Examiner to so inform Applicants.

Species Elections

- 1. For claims 23, 32 and 43, Applicants elect the species 5-(2'-aminoethyl) aminonaphthalene-1-sulfonic acid (EDANS).
- 2. For claims 24, 33 and 44, Applicants elect the species alkaryl and aralkyl groups having between about 7 and about 40 carbon atoms, where the carbon atoms are replace by one or more hetero atoms in the structure provided the structure represents a stable molecular system, where the hetero atoms selected from the group consisting of P, S, Si, N, and O.
- 3. For claims 25, 34 and 45, Applicants elect the species 4-aminophenol.
- 3. For claims 26, 35 and 46, Applicants elect the species Adenosine-5'- (γ-ANS) triphosphate.
- 4. For claims 36, 37 and 47, Applicants elect the species polymerases.

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